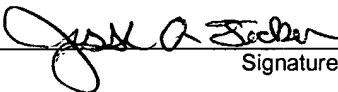


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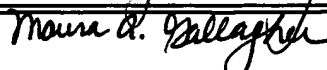
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<b>Application Number</b> 09/862571		<b>Filed</b> May 21, 2001	
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<b>Art Unit</b> 1631		<b>Examiner</b> M. L. Borin	
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